Traffic Stop Leads to Recovery of a Weapon and Three Arrests- Dover



Tilaiya M. Holland



Kiara N. Watkins



Jason D. Calhum

Dover— The Delaware State Police have arrested two adults and one juvenile after a traffic stop led to the discovery of a loaded handgun.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at approximately 9:40 p.m. when a Trooper observed a 2005 Gray Buick Lacrosse, traveling southbound on Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway (SR 1) in the area of the Dover toll plaza, above the posted speed limit. A traffic stop was initiated

and contact was made with the driver, identified as 18-year-old **Tilaiya M.Holland**, of Middletown, the front seat passenger, 18-year-old **Kiara N. Watkins** of Dover, and rear seat passenger 17-year-old **Jason D. Calhum** of Middletown. An odor of marijuana was detected and all of the occupants were detained. Watkins became extremely disorderly and attempted to kick out the rear window to the Trooper's patrol vehicle.

A search of the vehicle was conducted and led to the discovery of the following:

- a loaded 9mm handgun
- a box of Remington ammunition containing 33 rounds
- .1 grams of marijuana

All three suspects were transported back to Troop 3.

Tilaiya M. Holland was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana
- Failure to Have Required Insurance
- Speeding

Holland was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 7 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on \$26,252.00 secured bond.

Kiara N. Watkins was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana
- Resisting Arrest

Watkins was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 7 and committed to the Delores J. Baylor Women's Correctional Institution on \$26,750.00 secured bond.

Jason D. Calhum was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony
- Possession of a Firearm by Prohibited Juvenile
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana

Calhum was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 7 and released to a guardian.

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